

EASY STREET

There was no prayer meeting at Mt. Grove, Thursday night on account of the rain.

Saturday and Sunday was the regular meeting day at Bethel.

Edgar Jackson and Earl Callaway returned home Thursday evening from a week's hunt in Arkansas. They report a good time and lots of game.

Baling hay is the order of the day on Easy Street.

Aunt Frances Davis is ill with pneumonia. We hope for a speedy recovery.

There is prayer meeting at Bug Juice every Thursday night. We would be glad to have you come.

Monroe Clement and son Olof, went to Verona, Sunday.

Vernie Smith went to mill at John Goodnight's Wednesday.

Bill Niskern and son Pearl, were buying mules on Easy Street, Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Niskern, of Tail Holes were on Easy Street, Tuesday evening.

Rev. Davis will preach at Mt. Grove Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. Everybody go and hear him.

Milton Owens and son and daughter Bun and Letha were in this part Friday night of last week.

Bill Allen has gone to Tulsa, Okla., to press brick.

John O. Hutchens visited on Easy Street one night last week.

Ira Butler visited his sister, Mrs. Goodnight, last week, who lives east of Cassville.

C. A. Fly and Dutch Morlan attended conference at Butterfield, Saturday and Sunday.

Jim Smith visited his father Friday evening of last week. We understand "Uncle Jimmy" has the grippe but we hope he will soon be up again.

Earl Carr and Quincie Goodnight visited John Morlan, Saturday night and Sunday.

Ewin Davis is on the sick list this week. We hope he will soon recover.

Mintie Marbut visited her father Bob Patten, Sunday, who is ill with lagrippe.

We were very sorry indeed, to hear of the death of dear old Grandma Stribling. She was a true Christian for many years and bore her afflictions very patiently for quite a while and all who knew her loved her. The bereaved husband and children have our heartfelt sympathy.

Those who visited Siegel Morlan, Wednesday night were Clyde Davis and family, Floyd Goodnight and family, Bill Niskern and family, Finis Marbut, Bill Allen and Earl Carr. Mr. Morlan is in a critical condition.

Bethel school closed Friday.

Paul Davis of west of Purdy, and Myrtle Buzzard, of Mt. Grove, visited Effie Morlan, Sunday evening.

Elisha Fly and family of Aurora, visited his father, C. A. Fly, Saturday night and Sunday.

PRAIRIE VIEW

Mrs. J. E. Haggard and sons Harold and Junior, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foster, near Ebenezer.

Mr. Hubert Logan is employing several teams hauling lumber for a large new barn, which he will build this winter.

Several persons from our burg attended the sale of Mrs. Mike Anthony Monday. There was a large crowd present and everything sold reasonably well.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Russell and baby Edwina visited last Tuesday with J. L. Means and family.

Mr. Lawrence Courdin of Pioneer, spent Friday and Saturday with his grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Gaydou.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Haggard and family departed Tuesday morning for their new home at Christopher, Mo.

Among those who assisted Mr. Tom Haggard in moving were P. J. McEnany, W. J. Mackey, Andrew Cogbill, Archie Tuttle and J. E. Haggard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phillips and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Phillips' sister, Mrs. Anna Means and family.

Mrs. Katie Russell visited last Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. H. Burnett.

POLLY ANNA.

BUTTERFIELD

There was a crowded house at Sunday school and children's meeting at Gunter Sunday afternoon and the indications are favorable for a successful Sunday school and the best L.T.L. in the state. Several from this place were in attendance.

Rev. Canada commenced a revival meeting at the Baptist church at Gunter, last week also the Holmes people began a revival at their church, east of Gunter Saturday.

If the county court would consider a man's ability instead of his politics in making appointments for road supervisors, there would be a great deal more donation work done, as people are more free to donate on road work when they have an overseer that can deliver the goods and show results.

Uncle Isaac Fain died Friday, Jan. 5, from the infirmities of old age. He had been blind for several years and almost deaf. Funeral services

were conducted at the Baptist church at 1 p. m., Sunday and the remains laid to rest in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

There is a right and wrong side to all questions, controversies or divisions and every one should stand for what they believe to be the right. If we fail to do so we are naturally placed with the wrong side by neglecting to assist the right. He who has it in his power to stay the criminal hand and fails to do so becomes a party to the crime. -Christ said "You are not for me you are against me."

Springfield has adopted a plan to sentence all vagrants and loafers to work on the streets and to pay their families \$1.50 a day for such work. The plan is a good one as it will provide for those dependent on a "bum" husband and father and will lessen crime, most all crimes are hatched in some "loafer's glory" or gambler's den. The ball and chain will prove an effectual remedy.

LIBERTY

December 31 the officers for the Sunday school were elected as follows: Will Davis, superintendent; B. C. Wolfe, assistant superintendent; Geo. Mulkey, treasurer; Minnie Scott, secretary; Bernice Jenkins, pianist; Chas. Wilks, choirster, with Beulah Matthews, Willa Henbest, Ida Jenkins, Dora Davis, Ellen Howard and B. C. Wolfe as teachers. A fair crowd was in attendance last Sunday but there are many others who should attend and all are cordially invited to do so.

Next Sunday will be Rev. Combs' day for morning and evening services.

Mr. Will Mayhew had the misfortune of having his driving horse fall dead while returning home from Ebenezer church last Saturday night.

Messrs. Wilson Russel, Jas. Mulkey, Dee Winton and Geo. Mulkey and their families accompanied Mr. Sam Fletcher home from Sunday school, Sunday.

The Ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. Mat Butler Thursday of this week for the election of officers for this year.

Lots of wheat is being hauled to town the last few days bringing \$1.75 per bushel.

Rev. Curtis and the pastor, Frank Jones, are conducting services at Ebenezer for the week. It is hoped much good will be accomplished.

HAPPY VALLEY

Spencer Smith is on the sick list. Jewel Hadley visited Opal Davis Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Hiram Roller, sons Dan and Chester and daughter Jewel, visited Fred Miller and wife from Saturday until Sunday.

Effie Smith visited Ada Roller, Sunday.

Myrtle McCracken is staying with Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Davis.

Earl Cox and wife visited George Hilton and family, Sunday.

Sunday school was well attended at Macedonia, Sunday.

Clarence Roller visited Winford Davis Sunday.

Clyde Davis and family visited General Sooter and family Saturday night and Sunday.

Bert Smith and family visited Will Smith and family Sunday afternoon.

Bethel school was out Friday.

S. A. Davis and wife visited Ewin Davis and family Saturday.

Opal and Winford Davis visited Ada and Clarence Roller one night last week.

Vernie Smith visited Ewin Davis and family Saturday night.

Mrs. Lucy Henderson is ill with pneumonia fever.

Jesse, Etta and Glen Marshall visited Floyd Junion and family of Mt. Grove Sunday.

Opal and Winford Davis started to Ozark school Monday.

Opal Davis has the mumps.

KINGS PRAIRIE

Farewell, old Santa Claus. Thou hast come and gone. Thy mission brought smiles and joy to all nations. May thy coming be appreciated more and more.

1917-his is the twelfth New Year that we have been pushing the pencil and pressing the button that sent out the wireless messages from the Times office and we are still on the firing line. Wishing all the new and old scribes a prosperous New Year and we could not forget the faithful printer for what would become of the people if all the printing ink and paper was shut off. Nobody would know what anybody was doing. But in all the long years we have tried to deal fair with all, realizing that earthly friends are more to be valued than silver and gold.

There was and is considerable sickness in the community. Mr. Powell has quite a sick boy. Miss Madge Jackson and her little sister Edna have been sick but are reported better. Fay, twin boy of C. C. Carter, is improving. Mrs. Reid's aged father is quite feeble.

Some one asked Nix if he had put up any resolutions for the New Year. No, we have several left over from last year we haven't used yet.

The series of meetings that had been going on for over two weeks at New Liberty closed last Monday. The

worst storm of the season covered the first two weeks yet they kept the fire on the altar burning by day and by night. Rev. Combs delivered some strong pleas to the unsaved to get right with God and some important ones accepted Christ as their personal Savior. There were several additions to the church and more to follow. The door of the old church stands open as a beacon light and welcome to all. Yes, come over into Macedonia and help us, they cry.

Some ten or twelve members of the M. P. Church of Springfield, came on the Wednesday morning train to attend the funeral of Mrs. Stribling, bringing some beautiful wreaths and flowers.

There was no service at the church last Sunday on account of the revival at New Salem. Rev. Combs was to assist Rev. Goodnight.

There could have been no greater blessing for a New Year's gift to mankind than the proclaiming of a world's peace, or could we have rung the New Years bells that Old Missouri had gone dry. But God is biding his time.

W. C. Jones, formerly of the Prairie, died in Springfield, last week. His son Lloyd and wife, of St. Louis, attended the funeral.

Floyd Carter returned to Tulsa, Ok., Sunday evening.

Jake Carter is sick with tonsillitis. Aunt Fount Jackson, who has been sick, is reported better.

Rev. Combs took dinner with Reams McCormick, last Sunday.

During the year 1917 there may be one of the greatest changes take place the world has ever known and we pray that it may be for the betterment of the human family.

Look out for the mumps. Miss Della Weber has them.

NIX.

KINGS PRAIRIE

Miss Lena Marbut came up from Little Flat and visited until Sunday with Mrs. Marion Tate.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones came in to attend the funeral of Floyd's father who died Friday night at Springfield, in the Frisco hospital. The body was brought to Monett Sunday and interment was made in Oakdale cemetery.

W. D. Simmons was looking after his farming interest near Aurora, Tuesday.

Geo. W. Grist of Lancaster, Mo., came Sunday to help care for his father who is seriously sick at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mattie Reid.

Mrs. Fountain Jackson who has been on the sick list is reported much improved.

Ernest Collar of Kansas City is here visiting his mother, Mrs. A. D. Collar. He and F. F. Hultgren went to Cato Sunday to visit Albert Collar and Mrs. Frank Marion.

Our teacher, Miss Bula Bennett, visited home folks at Seligman Saturday and Sunday.

Master Fay Carter, who has been on the sick list the past week is much improved.

A large number of the Kings Prairie women friends and neighbors of Mrs. Emily Vogt, gathered at her home Saturday afternoon and gave her a surprise it being her sixty-sixth birthday. A two course lunch was served and Mrs. Vogt was presented with 19 beautiful aprons. The aprons were presented by Mrs. Browning and Mrs. Vogt responded in her usual sweet way assuring the ladies of her appreciation of their love and friendship. About 35 were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Williams returned to Monett Saturday after spending a week with Leslie's parents.

Drs. Brown and Drake were on the Prairie Sunday, attending Sunday school and visiting Dr. Drake's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fleming and daughter Miss Bertha attended the funeral of W. C. Jones at Monett Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Letterman and daughter Miss Gale, of Aurora visited the former's sister, Mrs. Fleming last week and attend the funeral of Mrs. B. S. Stribling.

MT. GROVE

Benton Fly and Eleation Inman attended prayer meeting at Arnhart Sunday night.

Mr. Milt Owens, daughter Letha and son Bun, visited at E. A. Fly's, Friday night.

Mrs. V. H. Marbut has been on the sick list but is better at present.

There was a sale at John Pennel's on Pleasant Ridge Monday. Mr. Pennel has sold his farm and has purchased George Browning's store in Verona.

Mr. and Mrs. Verde Marbut and Miss Myrtle Buzzard and Mrs. Denver Inman motored to Monett, Monday.

Ben Henderson and wife and little son Alvie, visited at John Balmas', Saturday night.

Siegel Morlan remains critically ill. Edgar Jackson and Earl Callaway have returned from a successful hunt.

They made a pretty good raise on furs. We understand they caught eight coons, sixteen possum and a

gray fox.

Miss Etta, Jesse and Glen Marshall visited Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Inman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Moudy and little son visited with Felix Jackson Saturday night.

Sunday is regular meeting day at Mt. Grove. Everybody come and take a part.

SILVER BELL.

OZARK BRIFFS

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cox visited Mrs. Cox's parents, Mr. George Hilton and family, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Medlin visited at Calvin Henderson's Sunday.

Mr. John Crowell and family visited his brother, Mr. Charley Crowell and family, Sunday.

Miss Jewell Hadley visited Miss Opal Davis, Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. S. A. Davis and family visited Mr. Virgil Hadley and family a while Sunday night.

Mrs. A. H. Roller and children Chester, Jewell and Don spent Saturday and Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Miller of New Site.

Mr. Spencer Smith is on the sick list.

Mr. Jesse Marshall visited at Floyd Inman's Sunday.

Mr. Vernie Smith visited at Ewin Davises, Saturday night.

Mr. W. A. Smith's father from Oklahoma, has been visiting him this week.

Opal and Winford Davis are attending school at Ozark now.

Mr. Joe Haddock visited at A. H. Roller's Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Davis visited at General Sooter's Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Davis visited their son Mr. Ewin Davis, one day last week.

Miss Effie Smith visited Miss Ada Roller, Sunday.

Mrs. Lowrey of Purdy, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Smith this week.

Clarence Roller visited Winford Davis, Sunday.

THE BLUE EYED BOY.

GREENHILL

We are having some very nice weather at present.

Sunday school was very well attended Sunday.

Ewin Davis is ill.

Next Sunday is meeting day at Mt. Grove. Rev. Scott will preach.

Mrs. Lowrey of Purdy, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Smith and family this week.

We are very sad to report Siegel Morlan still in a critical condition.

Mrs. Ike Inman and children Reta and Wilmer visited at the home of Asberry Davis, Tuesday.

School was out at Bethel Friday. We had a fine school and also a fine teacher and if any disturbance was made during the school, we do not know of it. Those who visited the school were Mrs. Morgan Carr and son Earl, Walter and Esther Reynaud, Nora Henderson.

Opal and Winford Davis have been Vernie Smith visited Ewin Davis going to school at Ozark.

Vernie Smith visited Ewin Davis and family Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Davis and family attended a birthday party at General Sooter's Saturday night.

Effie Smith visited Ada Roller, Sunday.

Ben Henderson and family visited John Balmas and family Saturday night and Sunday.

There is a protracted meeting going on at New Salem.

Asberry Davis visited at Siegel Morlan's Sunday morning.

Mrs. Hiram Roller and children Terrell, Chester and Don visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller of New Site from Saturday until Sunday.

Jewell Hadley visited Opal Davis Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Asberry Davis and children Opal and Winfred visited at the home of Virge Hadley and family a while Sunday night.

POLLY.

PLEASANT DALE

Mrs. C. A. McCubbin and Mrs. D. L. McCubbin are spending a few days with Mrs. Walter Friddle.

Joe McCormick is very sick.

Mrs. A. O. Vogt was entertained with an apron shower Saturday.

Chas. McCracken of Chelsea, Okla., visited W. T. McCracken's Saturday night.

Mrs. Ernest Wallen visited her brother Willis Meador, near Purdy, Saturday.

William Wallen and Miss Naomi Bounous attended church at New Salem, Sunday night.

Mrs. D. D. Parker visited Joe McCormick's Thursday.

Mrs. W. T. McCormick visited Mrs. G. W. McIntosh, Wednesday afternoon.

James Long attended the Lyceum course at Walnut Grove Wednesday.

Mrs. S. T. Trent will leave Sunday, for an extended visit with her daughter at Memphis, Tenn.

Those who visited at Joe McCormick's Sunday were R. R. McCormick,

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

A basket ball game will be pulled off at the hall on Friday night of this week between our first team and the Cassville five. This boys' game promises to be an interesting one as our team under the direction of Coach Dan Meador, have picked up the strong points in the game and will certainly be prepared to give a hot contest to their opponents. In fact, they expect to walk off with this game, the first one they will have played since being trained down by one who knows the game. We hope to have out all high school students as rooters and as many as care to attend among parents and friends. The home girls will probably give an interclass game the same night. The admission will be 25 cents.

Last week was one of many callers and visitors to the high school, among them being Dr. Hawkins of St. Louis, Dr. Childers of Columbia, Mo., Supt. W. E. Veerkamp of Newton county, father of Miss Fern Veerkamp of the high school, Mr. O. P. Keller of one of our standard text book companies, Mr. R. K. Phelps, principal of Neosho high school, his two debaters, Messrs Whitlock and Moorehouse, and Fulton S. White of the Frisco Agricultural department.

The Neosho boys won the debate against the Monett boys last Friday night by a fair score. These boys came loaded with the negative side of the subject, and delivered the goods in good, fair shape. We never object to a contest to real superiors. Our debaters did well, and really we should not expect them to win against boys who had debated public questions some dozen of times apiece. But with all this as fact we congratulate the young gentlemen from Neosho and appreciate their coming among us.

Our debaters have inspired a great many of our boys to get into contests of this variety. On Monday of this week about fifteen of the high school boys met and organized a Debating Club. A short constitution was prepared by a member of the faculty, was adopted and the following officers were elected: Alby Anderson, president; Hardy Kemp, secretary; and Kenneth Wright, treasurer. Other members are Paul Matthews, Vincent Wilson, Paul Pennell, Milo Martin, Glen Railsback, LeRoy Coward, Harold Lewis and others whose names I have not at hand. This Club expects to take up some of the simpler historical questions at first and work upon the art of debating. Later they will probably give you a sample of their work at assembly on some Friday morning. The object of this work is to promote public speaking, establish accurate and rapid thinking on the floor, and to aid in useful citizenship.

The first semester examinations will be given on Thursday and Friday of this week. We called your attention to the rule last week which exempts students from these tests which is an average during the semester of ninety per cent in department, attendance and subject matter, may have to take these tests because of a lack of a sufficient grade in the last two requirements named but we fully believe that 75 per cent were exempt on re-employment. Our students this year seem to realize more than ever that the teachers are co-workers in the class, and in the games outside of the class rooms. We believe this school is setting higher ideals and they can only be attained with the proper support of every parent and citizen.

Our chapel last week enjoyed good musical numbers rendered by Helen Davis and Miss Heyburn and an excellent talk on "Some Fundamentals" by Rev. J. C. Gilbreath of Appleton City. There will be no assembly this week because of the examinations but next week Dr. Wm. M. West of the city will talk to us on some more fundamentals which will probably assume a different character from those so well discussed by the Rev. Mr. Gilbreath.

The game of basket ball between the second teams of Monett and Peirce City high schools last Saturday night was a good one. Peirce City scored 35 and Monett 17.

Mrs. Frank Jenkins, Rev. M. J. Combs, W. T. McCormick and son Lewis, Mrs. Mary McCormick and son Sheridan.

Mrs. Ollie Barnes went to Billings, Saturday to visit her daughter.

Miss Nell McCormick visited Misses Mabel and Edna Timmons, Sunday afternoon, and later they went horseback riding.

Rev. M. J. Combs visited R. R. McCormick and family, Sunday.

Oscar Trent and Joe Thomas visited S. B. Timmons, Sunday.

Miss Naomi Bounous visited Mrs. Al Beeman, Monday evening.

Mrs. S. D. Cordin visited at Mrs. J. F. Planchon's Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Chas. McCracken and Misses Bessie and Nell McCormick visited Mrs. Al Beeman Monday evening.

Miss Irene Planchon spent Thursday night with Albinia Courdin.

Florence Sydney and Claud Timmons spent Sunday afternoon with Corinne Beaman.

HOUSE REPORTS ADVERSELY

Washington, Jan. 11. (2:25 p. m.)—The House today voted to report adversely for congressional investigation in leak.

ENTENTE REPLY RECEIVED

Washington, Jan. 11. (2:25 p. m.)—The reply of the Entente Allies to President Wilson's note arrived and is being laid before the president and Secretary Lansing as fast as decoded.

ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK MARKET

A Large Increase in Receipts and General Weakness of Prices Result.

To-Day's Receipts.

Cattle	7000
Hogs	15000
Sheep	1800

Cattle—A goodly increase in receipts this week, and general weakness on killing stuff as a result. Beef steers closes fully 15 to 25c lower than the high point of last week, the general butcher market showing about the same decline. However the choice yearling butcher cattle, which have been exceptionally scarce, are selling a shade higher, while the market on stocker and feeder stuff continues active and steady with last week's good time.

Hogs—Good weight hogs continue to find excellent favor and have advanced 40 to 50c per cwt compared with a week ago, through the market for light stuff has shown little perceptible change, the supplies continuing liberal enough to off-set any strength. Heavy hogs reached \$11 today—the highest basis in months. Choice hogs 190 lbs. upwards \$10.50 to \$11; mixed hogs 150 to 190 lbs. \$10 to \$10.50; 120 to 140-lb. pigs \$8.75 to \$9.75; lighter pigs \$7